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THE RESIGNATION OF JAMES FRANKLIN COLLINS

Subscribers to Rhodora will regret to note the absence of the name of James Franklin Collins from the enumeration of Editors on the cover. Professor Collins, a contributor to the pages of Rhodora from the initial volume (1899) and always relied upon to do his full share in support of the journal and in faithfully carrying on the gratuitous duties of the Cryptogamic Curator of the Herbarium of the New England Botanical Club, has asked to be relieved of these responsibilities. The Council of the Club has regretfully acceded to his wish; and the Editors take this occasion to express their keen appreciation of the always cheerful helpfulness and unbounded generosity of their former associate. The half-tone plates of Oxytropis in vol. xxx and the remarkable and much praised plates of Draba in vol. xxxvi, made from photographs most generously contributed by Professor Collins, sufficiently indicate the great debt Rhodora owes this single editor. We anticipate no cessation for many years of his ever ready helpfulness to the journal and we voice the hopes of the Editors and all friends of Rhodora in wishing Professor Collins, necessarily limited by physical handicaps of advancing years, a long period of happy studies in his loved science, as he looks back with satisfaction upon his more than three score and ten years of kindly and productive activity.

Dr. Stuart Kimball Harris, the newly appointed Associate Editor, brings to Rhodora a keen enthusiasm for botany and botanizing in all their phases and the older Editors heartily welcome his coöperation.